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## Out the Easy Way



(Photo By Bill Chiba)

Pictured above are Noel Brown, driving and Dave Cesan, at sled, Agawam Fire Dept. employees, who bagged two large six and eight point bucks during the Mass. deer season. They brought out the deer from the forest the modern way... snowmobile and sled.

## Safety Officer Burnett Urges Drive With Care Over Holidays

Safety Officer Harold J. Burnett worries about Agawam's traffic record like the rest of us worry about next month's Christmas bills.

"We are concerned about the traditional holiday pattern of parties, driving and winter weather and at this time of year the longer hours of darkness, snow, sleet, fog or frost clinging to windshields all combine to push the local accident curve upward.

"A police officer has the legal responsibility to stop drivers whose car windows—front, side or rear—are obscured, or who are driving too fast for visibility conditions, and we intend to discharge this obligation."

Research indicates that alcohol is a factor in as many as half of the traffic accidents. The Christmas-New Year round of festivities often include more alcohol than many of us can take. If you think you can drink freely at parties and then slide behind the

wheel of your car hoping you can get away with it remember this warning—"Our department will be out to protect you and others from your own dangerous thinking. We may not win popularity contests with those who can't seem to say "No Thanks" soon enough, but we are determined to see that our drinking and driving laws are strictly and fairly enforced.

"The members of your Police Dept. wish to extend a Happy and Safe Holiday Greeting to all the residents of Agawam."

## DeForge Receives Varsity Letter

Amherst, Mass. — Michael G. DeForge, a 1967 graduate of Agawam High School, has recently been awarded his first varsity "A" for his performance on the football team at Amherst College.

According to Amherst line  
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A 17 page list of scholarships and Loan information has been prepared for members of the senior class. They are now available and anyone interested may pick up a copy from Mr. Skolnick, guidance director at the Agawam High School.

## YMCA OFFERS SKI COURSE

The Agawam YMCA Ski School, "The Ski Kids" are taking registrations for an eight week ski instruction course to be conducted at the Pawcatuck Ski area starting Jan. 10 and continuing until Feb. The instructions are for boys and girls in grades 1 through high school. The course will consist of an hour of lessons and then an hour of skiing.

### TRANSPORTATION

Bus transportation is to be available with pick-ups to be made at 18 different stops in town starting at 8 a.m. and returning by noon or 1 p.m. A fee is required payable in advance at the "Y" office.

A minimum of 20 youngsters are needed to start this program. Miss Phyllis Augustino a teacher at the Granger School will be supervisor and Marcia Smith a Junior Leader at the local "Y" will assist her.

### FREE SKI CLINIC

This Friday evening the 19th at 7 in the "Y" activities room a free clinic will be open to all residents.

Mr. Kenneth Harlburt, manager, of the Pawcatuck Ski area will demonstrate with films or slides proper use of equipment, what to buy if you plan to get skis for Christmas, proper bootwear, the do's - don'ts of good skiing. A question and answer period will follow the clinic.

## Yule Tree Lighting Ceremony Sunday

The Agawam Jaycees will have the lighting ceremony of the Town Hall Christmas trees Sunday night at 7.

Master of ceremonies will be Thomas Ruddeford. Santa Claus will arrive with goodies for the children.

## Co-ed Explorer Post Specializing In Law Enforcement Formed

A co-ed Explorer Post specializing in Law Enforcement has been set up in West Springfield. Gerald Cady of the West Springfield Police Dept. has become the Advisor to the Post and is being assisted by Ray LaBord of Police Auxiliaries and Roger Connor. Mr. John Sullivan of the Bel Air Motel is the sponsor of Law Enforcement Post 505 of West Springfield.

Chief Hubert and Capt. McNamara of the West Springfield Police Dept. believe this program will do a great deal to improve understanding between the youth of the community and the Police Dept.

The Post comprises 18 young people presently all from Agawam with those interested in West Springfield to be brought into membership shortly. They are Paul O'Brien, 11 Joseph St.; Dave O'Malley, 44 Campbell Dr.; Gary Safford, 40 Mill St.; Bill Faits, 443 North Westfield St.; Eugene Sapelli, Meadow St.; Leslie Bessette 523 Franklin St. Ext.; Karen Phillips, 288 South St.; Mary Longo 236 Adams St.; Sharon Suffretti 259 Colemore St.; Cindy Kelly Springfield St.; Dave Quintal, 612 North St.; Nick Longhi, 142 Meadow St.; Jane Nicholson, 211 Colemore St.; Tom Guevin, 224 Elm St.;

Gail Branchini, 437 North St.; Mike O'Brien, 11 Joseph St.; Joanne Berkowicz, 71 Northwood St.; Dana Raymond, 33 Norman Ter., all of Agawam.

Bill Faits was elected president and Paul O'Brien as vice-president of the Post. They will train in Disaster Relief, work alongside Policemen under supervised conditions, learn about  
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## N. E. Travel Trailer Shows, Feb. and Apr.

Frank J. Sparks, Jr., executive director of the New England Travel Trailer Association announced that the Association's Board of Directors will meet at the Executive Office in Granby, Conn., at 2 p.m. today.

Included on the agenda for the meeting were reports on the Camping and Travel Trailer Show to be held at Suffolk Downs in Boston from Jan. 17-25, 1970. This show is sponsored by the Boston Herald Traveler in cooperation with the New England Travel Trailer Association. Reports will be presented on the Connecticut Show in New Haven, Conn., Feb. 12-15, 1970 and the seventh annual Rhode Island Camping and Trailer Show, April 3, 4 and 5 at Lincoln Downs Race Track.

Reports will be presented by the executive director on a Federal law suit concerning recreational industry in New England.

Chairman of the New England Travel Trailer Association's Board of Directors is Mrs. Jane Pereira of Ace Traveler Co., Alfred, Me. Other members of the board include: Norman Walsh, Nashua, N. H.; Lawrence Bie-niek, Adams, Mass.; Andrew De-Graw, Sandwich, Mass.; William Stelmok, Worcester, Mass.; Raymond Jarvio, Plymouth, Mass.; Wilbur Hawkins, Randolph, Mass.; Rudolph Goudreault, Piastow, N. H.; and William Gangloff, New London, Conn. Edwin A. Skipton of the New England Travel Trailer Association's staff is clerk of the board of directors.

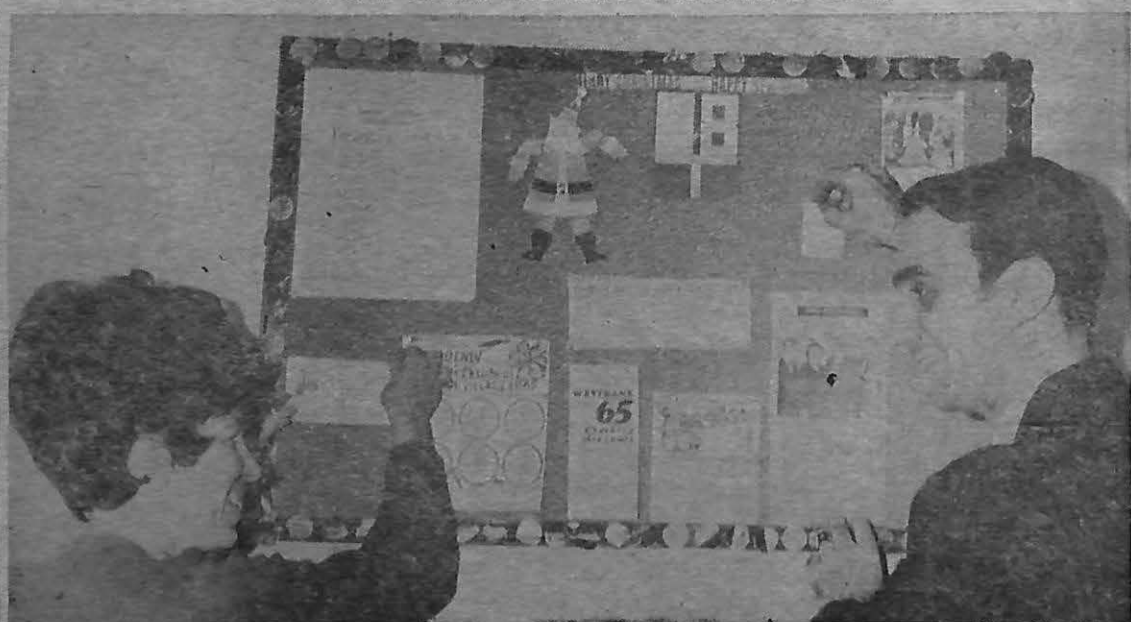
## Yuletide Music Reunion Dec. 23

Agawam High Christmastime Reunion for music alumni will be held in the high school music rooms following the basketball game on Tuesday evening, Dec. 23 at 9 p.m.

The reunion event has been held for a number of years and will consist of a social hour at which graduates can meet with fellow students and current members of music groups. No formal program is planned although some informal singing will be included.

Pictures from past musicals and activities will be available on request with a flexible schedule to meet the wishes of participating graduates.

## Western Bank Installs Bulletin Board



AGAWAM — Feeding Hills branch of Western Bank has put a bulletin board in their entrance as a public service for the townspeople in this area.

Pictured above, Lucille Fisher, Head Cashier at Feeding Hills

branch of Western Bank posts a notice on the new bulletin board while Francis Dionne, Branch Manager looks on.

The majority of the 10,000 people scattered throughout this section pass through the bank which

makes it an ideal location for the bulletin board.

Notices of houses for sale, announcements, recipes, illnesses, etc., may be posted here by people in the community, Francis Dionne, Branch manager said.



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# CHURCH NEWS

## AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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 Minister  
 Mrs. Richard Fearn, Organist  
 Mrs. Marshall Keyes,  
 Sanctuary Choir Director  
 Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,  
 Jr. Youth Choir Director

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Service of worship. No church school; 6:30 p.m. A Christmas program for all church members and friends. Lay Leader, Mr. Harold Ryer, will lead the service with Mrs. Herbert Binns as organist.

A program will be presented by the church school children under the guidance of Church School Superintendent, Mrs. Robert Fearn.

Junior and Youth Choir director, Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, will lead the Choirs in Christmas selections.

Mrs. Thomas Williams will give a reading and Mrs. Frank Jenks will present the story of various Christmas Legends.

An arrangement of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" will be sung by the Sanctuary Choir, lead by Choir Director, Mrs. Marshall Keyes.

Canned goods to be given in

Christmas Baskets will be given by the church school children as they receive their gifts.

A candlelight service will close the program.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist  
 Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director  
 Mrs. Barbara Briggs,  
 Church Secretary

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
 Thursday: 7:30 p.m. The Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Friday: 7:30 p.m. The United Women's Fellowship will pack Good Cheer baskets in Davis Hall.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship. Rev. Lockhart will preach the worship service; 10:30 a.m. Church School for all ages; 5 p.m. Bell Choir rehearse at church; 6 p.m., Senior and Junior High Bye's meet at church.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday: 11 p.m. The annual Christmas Eve Service will be held in the Sanctuary and by candlelight. Rev. Lockhart will preach and the Senior Choir will sing special Christmas music. The public is invited to attend.

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
 Mrs. Andrew Toussaint,  
 Minister of Music  
 Mrs. Lewis Moors,  
 Church Secretary

Thursday—12 Ladies' Aid Christmas program and luncheon.

Friday, 7 p.m. — Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Saturday, 9 a.m. — Youth Choir rehearsal.

Sunday, 9:30 a.m. — Church School, 5th Grade thru 12th Grade; 10:30 a.m., Church School, Nursery thru 4th Grade and Church at Morning Worship — Christmas Sunday— The Sanctuary Choir will sing the Cantata, "Joy to the World."

Wednesday—11 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

## VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

152 South Westfield St.  
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 "THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"  
 Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister  
 Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director  
 Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist  
 Mrs. Richard Orr,  
 Church Secretary

Sunday 10 a.m. — Christmas Sunday: Morning Worship. Program of Christmas Music by the Choir and the Junior Choir; No Sunday School Classes; 2 p.m.

Sunday School Birthday Party for Jesus in the Sanctuary. Christmas dialogue, singing of carols, lighting of Birthday cake in the chancel, presentation of gifts by children to Jesus on His birthday; 2:45 p.m. — Party in the Community Hall. Ice cream, cake, and moving picture for the children. Everyone cordially invited.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce  
 Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday — 9 a.m., CCD classes for Grades 1-6 at the Junior High School.

Saturday — Confessions 4 to 5 and 8 to 9 p.m.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.

Monday — 7 p.m., CCD classes for Grades 7-12.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m., Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

## ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,  
 Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

### MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

## FUNERAL NOTICE

The Funeral of Raymond W. Orr, Sr., husband of Myrle (Moulton) Orr, of 123 Elm St., was held Dec. 13 from Agawam Congregational Church. Rev. Floyd Bryan officiated. Burial was in Agawam Center Cemetery, with Mr. Bryan conducting the service of committal. Curran-Jones in charge of arrangements.

## HOLIDAY SPECIALS

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## My Beat — A.H.S.

By Joseph Della-Giustina, Jr.

Attention Seniors: all dues must be paid to attend the Kid party tomorrow Dec. 19 from 8 to 11 p.m. at Agawam High School. This is a big event for the Sen-

## Waste Collections

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 —  
ROUTE 5

Alexander Ave., Barry, Belmont Ave., Bradford Dr., Briarcliff Dr., Briar Hill Rd., Bristol Dr., Carmel Ln., Carol Ave., Churchill Ave., Clover Hill Dr., Elmar Dr., Fox Farms Rd., Greenwich Dr., Hamar Dr., Hamilton Cir., Hendon Dr., Hickory, Longview Rd., Meyers Dr., New York Ave., North St. Ext., No. West, No. Westfield, Oriole Dr., Overlook Dr., Parkview Dr., Pleasant Valley Rd., Provin Mt. Dr., Pine, Richmond Ave., Ridgeview Dr., Robin Ridge Dr., Roosevelt Ave., So. West, So. Westfield, Southwick, Squire Ln., Strawberry Hill Rd., Sunset Ter., Tannery Rd. and Thalia Dr.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22 —  
ROUTE 6

DePalma, Doane Ave., Edgewater St. Ext., Garden, Gunn-Gear Ln., Memorial Dr., Mountainview, Phil, Poplar, Porter Dr., Shoemaker Ln., Silver, Silver Ln., Silver Lake Dr., Suffield and Vadhais St.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23 —  
ROUTE 7

Althea Cir., Anthony, Belle, Brien, Center, Clematis Ave., Cooper, Elsie, Fairview, Federal Ave., Federal, Federal St. Ext., Harvey Johnson Dr., Karen Dr., Ley, Poinsetta, Potomac Pl., Prince Ln., Reed, Samuel, Senator Ave., Stanley Pl., Valentine, Valentine St. Ext., Vernon, Virginia, Washington, Westford Cir. and Woodside Dr.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24  
ROUTE 8

Allen, Adams, Birch Hill Rd., Carr Ave., Cosgrove Ave., Elm, Emerson Rd., Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawka Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mardale Ave., Nile Ave., Oxford, Parker, Perry Ln., Pineview Cir., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., Ridge Ave., South, So. Park Ter., Stewart Ln., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliff Ave. and Wright St.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26 —  
ROUTE 9

Albert, Alhambra Cir., Barney, Central, Corey, Editha Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Frank, Hunt, James Ave., John, Joseph, Kirkland, Liberty Ave., Maple Ave., Meadow Ave., Meadow, Monroe, Pomeroy, River Rd., School, Seymour Ave., Sterling Rd., Sunrise Ter., Willard Ave. and Wyman Ave.

iors, so enjoy yourselves.

Most parts in the play Carouseul, which is to be held March 12, 13, and 14 of 1970 are filled. The play should be a success because of the lapse of time from now until opening night. In this time they will practice their parts.

Juniors who want to help organize the Junior Prom should sign up in Room 49 between classes, before school or after school.

### VARSITY BASKETBALL

The Agawam Varsity Basketball Team will meet Chicopee tonight at 8:00 p.m. in Agawam High School's Gym. On December 23 Chicopee Comp. will meet Agawam at Agawam at 8:00 p.m. Support your basketball team.

### HOCKEY

Agawam's Hockey Team will meet Chicopee Comp. Dec. 19 in the Coliseum at 8:00 p.m. On December 22 Agawam meet's Westfield in the Coliseum at 7:00 p.m. GOOD LUCK !!!!

### CAREER CONFERENCE

Today Mr. Edwin C. Horne of Westbrook Jr. College from Portland, Maine will be at Agawam High. He will discuss and answer questions on Westbrook.

December 18, 1796—The first Sunday newspaper, The Sunday Monitor, was published in Baltimore.

Marriage was the first union to defy management.



"This project is still under wraps, huh?"

## NEWS FOR VETS

Veteran's widows were reminded today that if they have limited income they may be eligible for a Veterans Administration pension.

Under current law, qualified widows of wartime veterans who have died of causes not related to their service are eligible if their income is no more than \$2,000 if they have no children, and no more than \$3,200 if they do.

If a widow does not qualify for a pension because of a higher income or because she remarries, her children may still be eligible to receive pensions.

Pensions are based on need, the VA explained. Compensation is paid to the survivors of veterans who die of service-connected causes, and the income of the survivor has no bearing on eligibility or the amount paid.

Persons seeking further information were urged to contact their nearest VA office.

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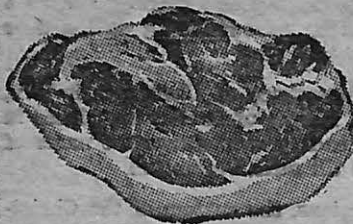
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## Christmas Sights and Sounds

New York (NAPS) — When next you hear a Christmas carol, see a holly wreath or sniff a holiday aroma that reminds of happy times past, give a thought to the entertaining history of Christmas sights, scents and sounds.

One "swinging" Swiss custom, not yet imported to the United States, has to do with the selection of a future mate! If any young boy or girl drinks from nine different fountains on Christmas Eve, while the midnight church bells are swinging and ringing, and then runs to church, the future mate will be seen standing on the door steps.

Also joyously affirming that the essence of Christmas is love, a Spanish custom is the Urn of Fate. Names of friends are placed in a large bowl and on Christmas Day each person draws the name of the one who shall be his best friend till next December!

A Christmas symbol in many regions, the custom of the Christmas tree is said to be of German origin from the 8th century with Martin Luther introducing the tree lighted with candles. The holly wreath, on the other hand, goes back in time to the crucifixion. Christ's crown of thorns is reputed to have been made of holly leaves. Early Romans, ornamented their temples and homes with the pungent green boughs, decorating as well with the mistletoe they revered as a symbol of peace. Tremendous powers were attributed to the mistletoe by British Druids, and, today, the mighty power of the mistletoe makes kissing acquaintances out of strangers meeting under it during the holiday season of goodwill.

## Co-ed Explorer . . .

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the myriad world of Law Enforcement.

The Post will also plan a Superactivity during the year which could include any number of things such as a week in Washington with the high point being a visit to the Justice Department. The Post is planning many social activities such as ski trips, excursions to Boston to visit the Police Dept. there, dances.

Exploring is a new program serviced by the Pioneer Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America. It can be co-ed and is open to young adults 14-18 years of age. It is an adult program through which the members elect their own officers, plan and finance their own program and operate their Post in a corporate structure with a Post Code and Constitution drawn up by themselves. The use of uniforms and insignia are optional and are decided upon by the members.

There are presently three other Posts in West Springfield and Agawam: they are Post 77 of St. John's Church with Camping and Outdoors as their prime activity; Ship 501 whose skipper is Bob Dempsey of Agawam and Post 574 of West Springfield whose chief interest is in Camping and Outdoors. Eventually more Posts will be established ranging from Hiking to Electronics.

## The Old Timer



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## TO BE ENJOYED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR



## Christmas 1969

The celebration of Christmas takes on added meaning each year. It reminds us that material success holds little value if we neglect the spiritual. The strongest tie in human endeavor is that of the family, and through this tie we project our good wishes and feelings to those around us.

Some of us express the holiday in material ways through an exchange of gifts, others through an exchange of cards, personal visits or telephone calls. But they all focus on the main theme of brotherly love.

It is time of year when good-fellowship, in spite of some commercial overtones, becomes contagious—when friendly, kind thoughts and actions are directed toward our fellow-man. It is a time when voices are heard in song and prayer—and the cares of the world melt away.

Let us try to extend the quality of the Merry Christmas of Christmas Day to the other 364 days in the year—by looking for positive ways to further the well-being of all mankind.

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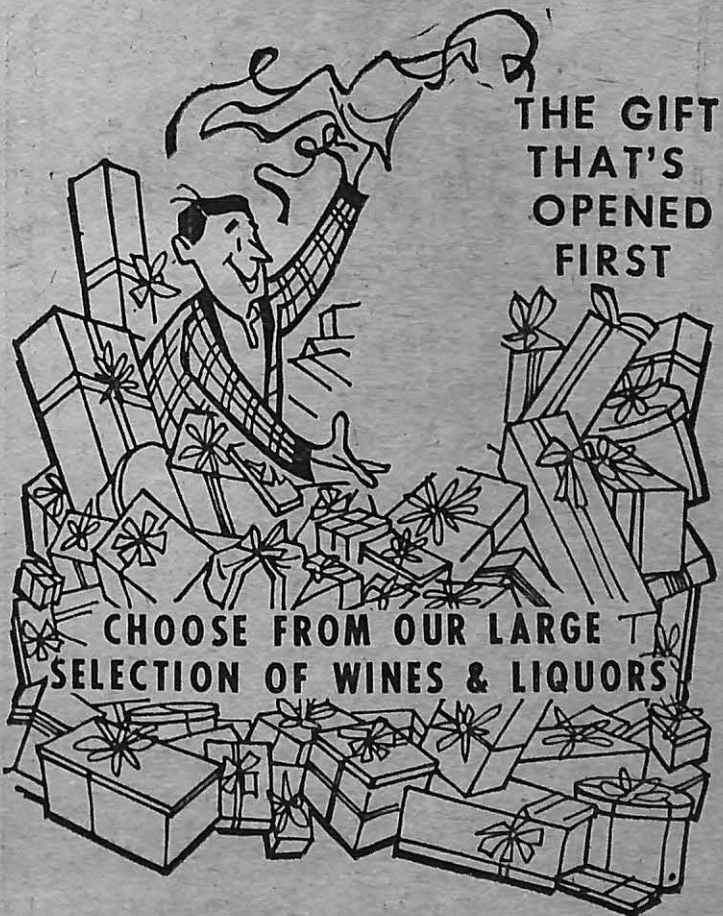
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to

December 23

#### SENIOR HIGH

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Tuesday: Macaroni w/meat cheese sauce, cabbage carrot salad, roll w/butter, peanut butter sandwich, fruit, milk.

#### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, meat ball grinders, buttered mixed vegetables, fruit cup w/peanut butter cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg on bun, green beans, cheese, grapefruit sections w/cookie, milk.

#### DANAHY

Monday: Juice, hamburger on buttered roll, carrots, banana cake, milk.

Tuesday: Macaroni w/tomato meat sauce, bread/butter, buttered green beans, pineapple chunks, milk.

#### GRANGER

Monday: Shell macaroni w/meat tomato sauce, green beans, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, Frankfurt on roll, relish, mustard, potato chips, carrots, Christmas Cake, milk.

#### PEIRCE

Monday: Pork sausage meat w/gravy, buttered sliced potatoes, buttered carrots, peanut butter w/honey sandwich, citrus fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, hamburger patti on hot buttered roll, buttered green beans, cheese wedge, peanut butter sandwich, Christmas dessert.

#### PHELPS

Monday: Juice, frankfurt in buttered roll, relish, mustard, buttered corn, potato chips, peach shortcake w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Elbow macaroni w/

meat tomato sauce, cabbage carrot salad, buttered French bread, fruit, milk.

#### ROBINSON PARK

Monday: Macaroni w/meat tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, hamburger in buttered bun, catsup, buttered carrots, butter cake w/strawberry cream topping, milk.

#### SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, chicken soup w/rice and carrots, celery sticks, chicken salad on rye bread, apple, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered mixed vegetables, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cup, milk.

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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

Dog is man's best friend and the hunter is the deer's best friend. Right about now you are thinking that I have blown my cool . . . not so! Lets do some serious analyzing of the deer situation throughout the country and see what we come up with.

By catching the fancy of the American sportsmen, the deer has provided its future populations with insurance not available to non-hunted animals. The deer and other hunted varieties are treated to planned habitat development and careful scientific

attention that the public does not devote to the non-hunted species. Many people cannot understand why the hunter would devote his hours and dollars to wildlife management just to turn around and hunt the animals he protects. The situation is really not that bewildering. The hunting is a very necessary part of proper wildlife management. Game biologists have found that if the hunter did not harvest large numbers of deer annually, the deer would soon become its own worst enemy.

### Predators Disappearing

They explain it this way: The forest is a closed ecological system. It has a limited number of producers (grasses, shrubs, trees, etc.) and a limited number of consumers (deer, squirrels, birds, etc.) Nature has imposed certain natural checks to keep the ecosystem from falling out of balance. In the case of the deer, these controls used to be predators, such as wolves and cougars.

However, the impact of expanding population has resulted in a sharp decrease in the number of predators. This has left the deer without an effective natural check. Without predators the deer population would in-

crease to a point where the deer would be its own worst enemy, a situation that is seldom pleasant in nature.

Damage to an over populated range may take over 15 years to remedy once the deer are again brought into balance with the habitat. The only practical way to keep deer in balance with their habitat is through properly controlled public hunting designed to remove only the surplus animals from the range.

The outcome of the 1968 hunting season showed the benefits of a well-planned hunting program. While there was a record harvest of 2.2 million deer in the fall of 1968, the deer population the following summer was a record 15.5 million.

It has been proven by many conservation surveys that hunting is a very necessary biological tool for cropping the annual deer surplus.

It would seem then that the hunter is not being the slightest bit inconsistent in protecting game and later hunting it. He would be far more inconsistent to spend time and money on conservation management just to allow the deer to destroy itself.

The sportsmen in the Northeast should be thankful for having such conservationists as Comm. Kehoe, Vt.; Jim McDonough, Mass.; Dick Seamens, and Buck Corson, Conn.; New Hampshire; Director Jim Shepherd, Mass.; Director Ted Bampton, Conn.; and Comm. Ron Speers, Me. Each man mentioned above is dedicated to providing the healthiest, and largest deer to the sportsmen of the Northeast.

### DeForge Receives

(Continued From Page 1)

coach, Tracy Mehr, "Mike is one of our steadiest performers. Week in and week out he's in there doing his job; he has got to be one of the unsung heroes of the squad." A 6' 2", 215 pound offensive tackle, DeForge is one of those rare players who is strong in every facet of his position. He is big enough to halt opposing ballcarriers in short yardage situations, quick enough to get to the quarterback on a passing down, and a leader by example to the rest of the team.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. DeForge of 137 Florida Drive, Agawam, Tom graduated from Agawam High School as a member of the National Honor Society and the International Relations Club. He also won varsity letters in football and track. At Amherst he won his freshmen numerals in football and track, while last year he was a member of the football and rugby teams.

Be pleasant until 10 a.m. The rest of the day will take care of itself.

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Today at 6 p.m. a new Board of Directors Orientation meeting in the "Y" activity room. At 8 there will be the regular Board of Directors monthly meeting.

Friday at 7 there will be a Junior High School Dance at South Street School. Ninth grades will be welcome at this dance. A local band will provide the music

the "Fierce." Refreshments will be available and school clothes may be worn.

Registration for a special Christmas week program by the local "Y" are now being accepted. This program will be held Dec. 29-31 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. each day at the West Springfield "Y."

Saturday Gym Class — The popular Saturday morning gym classes will again start on Jan. 10th. Registrations are now being taken. Sewing Classes will start on Jan. 5th if enough interested girls in the 5th and 6th grades sign up.

On behalf of the Agawam Staff we wish all in the Community a very Merry Christmas.

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## Now We Understand

Newspaper writing often has some queer twists, some profound misunderstandings, some untruths, at times it contains only glamour, and in some cases invites the reader to "read between the lines." The subject matter can be discussed openly in certain newspapers and in others, it can be so distorted by headlines that the context loses its true value.

My message this week is not one which needs headlines. I believe that I have thought carefully through the context and trust that you will feel that it concerns all of us.

It is with deep concern that I worry about our physical welfare. Not about our becoming ill, nor about our strength, but about our citizens being accosted with criminal intent. Lurking behind the sleeky cover of camouflage or darkness our town is too often infested with the city criminal who chooses the suburban area to practice his malicious acts. The acts to which I am particularly referring simply reek with savagery. There are certain things I can say and definitely others which cannot be mentioned. What I feel should be expressed most forcefully are the precautions which all of us must take to avoid any persistence in recurrence.

Foremost, if you are driving alone in your car, especially women, drive with all the doors locked and the windows closed to a point through which none may reach into your car. If you come to a situation in which someone slightly damages your car with his vehicle and subsequently stops along the highway to offer his apologies and to ask for a transfer of registration papers for identification, simply refuse to answer his request. Rather suggest that each of you drive to the police station at 36 Main St. and identify yourself at this point. Do your utmost to obtain his registration number in case he decides not to follow you to the station.

In other instances of abnormal behavior on the part of a pedestrian or motorist, report your observations at once to the police. Let's forget those childish thoughts of not wanting "to be a squealer." In today's situation those childish thoughts of not wanting "to be a squealer." In today's situation those thoughts are too foolish. We have the case of a housewife who unexpectedly had come upon a prowler in her home at 8:30 a.m. She reported this to the police at 4:30

p.m. that afternoon. He had probably robbed several other houses in the area by that time.

I suggest that each of you be ever alert. Act as a parttime policeman in your own right. We have a capable police department, but they can't be everywhere. Carry the Agawam Police Dept. telephone number in your car. Call them at once, on the least suspicion. They have an intercom system and you will find a cruiser is within minutes of your problem. Realize that you have certain rights and obligations as a citizen. Assume that you observe "rules of the road" deliberately broken by a selfish driver, obtain his registration number and report him. The most you will be obligated to do is to appear as a witness to testify against the offense.

Criminals, I am sure, must do some planning before they make their move. They ply their felonious practices in areas where they have the least chance to be apprehended. I have to believe that if every citizen in this town figuratively joined hands with our police department by reporting every questionable character to them, criminals would decide that Agawam was not the place for them.

With today's drug problem, racial struggles, wholesale robberies, and selfish motor vehicle operators, don't you feel that helping the police is well worth your effort?

George L. Reynolds, Selectman  
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## VWWI CARD

### PARTY WINNERS

The sixth game in the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory on Maynard St. Winning door prizes were Robert Damon, Grace Pyne, Verna Gallagher and Delia Cadorette.

Mystery prize winners were Ruby Gauthier, Ken Morley and Walter Haggerty. Ladies ace prize winner was Mildred Cole and Robert Damon for the men.

The following received high score awards: Ladies—1st Viola Thayer, 2nd Irma Tracy, 3rd Verna Gallagher, 4th Rhea Duclos; Men—1st Lawrence Duclos, 2nd Gaston Allard, 3rd George Pierce, 4th Francis Gallagher.

NOTE: No card party Christmas Week, Wednesday, Dec. 24th. New Year's party will be Tuesday, Dec. 30th...see you there!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!

## Round The Town



By Ann Nael  
phone ST 8-8996

Miss Jo-Ann DellaGiustina will arrive home this week to spend the holidays with her parents, Selectman and Mrs. Joseph DellaGiustina of 19 Albert St., Agawam. Jo-Ann is a freshman at Clark University, Worcester, Mass.



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# V.F.W. Post 1632 Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSENETTE

## HOSPITAL PROJECTS

On Dec. 11 our Hospital Chair-  
man Anna D. Bissonnette deliv-  
ered over four hundred (400)  
hard cover books to the Veterans  
Administration Hospital Library.  
The poinsettias used in the chap-  
els were also delivered to Veter-  
ans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
Representatives Inez Goss at the  
Holyoke Soldiers Home and Alice  
Hilliard, at the Veterans Admin-  
istration Hospital.

## AUXILIARY CIRCLE

The Post Home was decorated  
by President Katherine Dickinson  
and the committee on Dec. 14th  
for the Children's Christmas  
Party on Dec. 20th at 2 p.m. Be  
on time so you'll see Santa!!

Not up to par, Venetta Snyder  
and Coral S. Garrison. We are  
sorry to hear that Past Comdr.

Brady Synder is confined to the  
Springfield Hospital. Cards  
would be nice.

President Katy Dickinson an-  
nounces all returns and a suc-  
cessful CANDY SALE and wish-  
es to thank all workers and her  
co-chairman Anna Bissonnette.

Happy Birthday to Jim Hayes  
and Past Comdr. Toimi Tammi  
— Good Health and Happiness.

Many thanks to John Sarat,  
Tom Cascio, Zoafia Demko, Enis  
Stoddard, Mike Fydenkevez,  
Tony DiDonato and Wil Bisson-  
nette for the help received for  
Hospital projects. "It's nice to  
know that people have Christ-  
mas and Charity in their hearts"  
said Anna Bissonnette and wish-  
es everyone a "VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY  
YEAR."

Montagna, Paul Henry Rys, Ho-  
mer V. Gebo, Guido P. Ortano  
and Bernard Wells. They were  
enrolled by the Chicopee Ritual  
Team of #1849 with Harry Spen-  
cer as Gov.; Norman Michon,  
Past Gov.; Bob Lussier, Jr. Gov.;  
Leonard Nadeau, Prelate; Herve  
Brouillard, Orator; Henry Wys-  
zynski, Sgt. At-Arms and Bill  
Wyman was the Singer of Odes.  
District 5 Vice-President Francis  
Greany was our invited guest and  
brought greetings from th Legion  
of the Moose. Another grand  
smorgasbord (with thanks to Lill  
Smith and Anna Bissonnette)  
was served to all who attended.  
Later the Chicopee Group did a  
series of special dances that they  
learned at their own dancing  
classes.

## AROUND THE LODGE

The Joseph Ryans of 19 Fr-  
wirth St., Feeding Hills, are the  
proud parents of a baby girl born  
Dec. 9, Gov. and Mrs. Ernest Du-  
mond are the maternal grandpar-  
ents. The Ryans have three boys.

Our deepest sympathy to the  
Ted Watermans of 97 Walnut  
St., on the death of Anna's fa-  
ther, Ralph Ricapido of Spring-  
field. Burial was on Tuesday.

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## AGAWAM LODGE Loyal Order of Moose No. 1935



It was a fun-filled week-end  
for the Moose beginning with lob-  
ster and clams on Friday night  
and then a whiz-bang old-fash-  
ioned adult's Christmas Party  
on Saturday the 13th. Christmas  
foods of all kinds covered the  
smorgasbord tables and many  
folks came back for seconds.

Thirty-four door prizes were  
given away and we'll name only  
the first three largest lucky win-  
ners, Mrs. Sheryl Rousseau, Tom  
Sorenson, Jr., and John Rose.

At 9 p.m. sharp we always  
stop whatever we're doing to say

a prayer with our children of  
Mooseheart who are going to bed  
at this time.

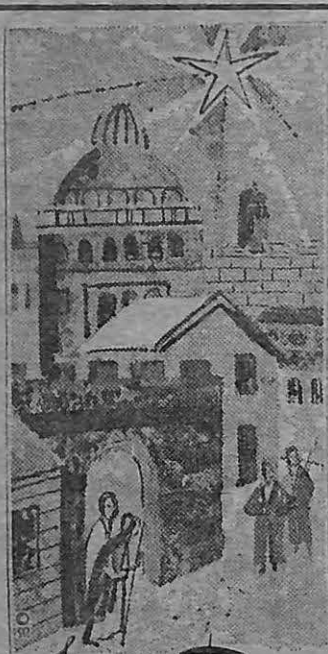
Santa Claus arrived at 9:30  
p.m. and distributed gifts to  
about 125 men and women and  
we had one for Santa.

Christmas was everywhere and  
there wasn't a spot in the Lodge  
that wasn't decorated. It was like  
stepping into another world of  
snow, bells, angels, magic lights  
and a Christmas tree.

Chairman Wil Bissonnette  
wishes to thank everyone who  
helped in any way, Andy Pier-  
pont of Andy's Diner, Memorial  
Ave. W.S., who donated a 15-foot  
trees; (Patronize our friends)  
Fireman Don Curran who  
sprayed the tree and was our kis-  
sable Santa; Anna Bissonnette  
who used her ornaments and dec-  
orations; to all the folks who  
cooked potato, macaroni, chicken,  
turkey, tuna, egg salads, meat  
pies, ham, potato chips and fan-  
cy desserts; To those who pre-  
pared the hall and to those that  
cleaned. Thank you one and all  
— Wonderful people you  
Moose . . .

## CLASS ENROLLMENT

On Sunday, the Class Enroll-  
ment saw another eight men ad-  
mitted to the Moose Membership.  
Welcomed into the fold were:  
Humphrey Stevensen, Dewit C.  
Jernigan, Van Rollins, Ronald P.



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